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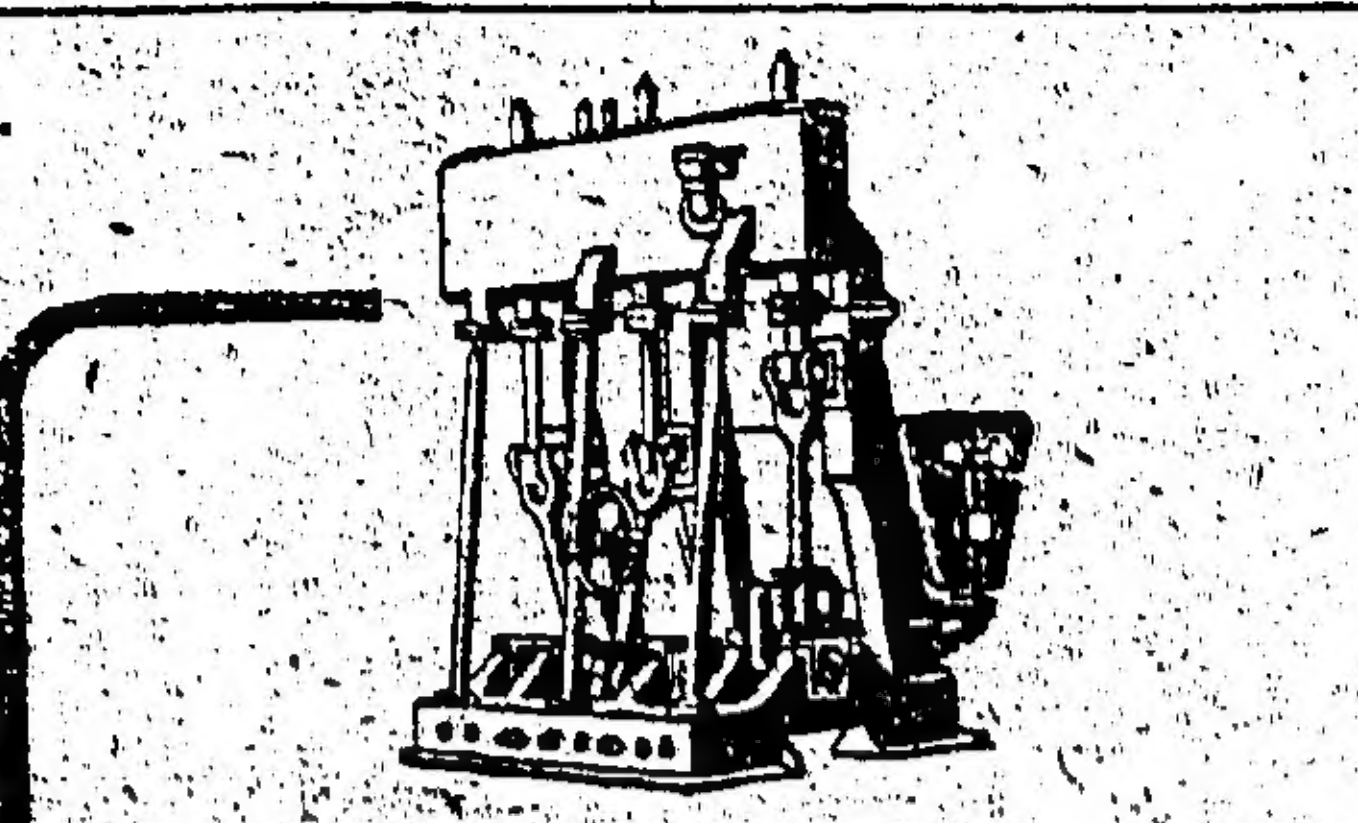
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## GERMANY AND AUSTRIA ASK ARMISTICE TERMS.

(Butler's Service to the China Mail.)

**GERMANY'S REPLY TO  
PRESIDENT WILSON.**  
AWAITING THE ALLIES' PRO-  
POSALS FOR AN ARMISTICE.  
Lyon, Oct. 28.  
The German Reply to the United  
States, which is signed by Dr. Solf,  
the Foreign Secretary, insists that  
political changes have been accom-  
plished in Germany and on the fact  
that the Peace negotiations are  
being conducted by a National  
Government in which the Militarists  
are subordinated and which has effec-  
tive constitutional authority to take  
a decision.  
The Note concludes: "This  
National Government now awaits the  
Allies' proposals for an Armistice."  
—French Wireless.

**THE TEXT.**  
COPENHAGEN, Oct. 28.  
Germany's Reply to President  
Wilson is as follows:—  
The German Government has  
taken cognizance of the answer of  
the President of the United States.  
The President is advised of the  
far-reaching changes which have  
been carried out and are being  
carried out in the German Con-  
stitutional structure. The peace  
negotiations are being conducted  
by a People's Government, in  
whose hands rest, both actually  
and constitutionally, the powers  
to make a deciding conclusion.  
(Message incomplete.)

**AUSTRIA-HUNGARY'S  
REPLY.**  
SUBSCRIBES TO ALL PRESIDENT  
WILSON'S CONDITIONS.  
ASKS FOR IMMEDIATE  
ARMISTICE.  
Lyon, Oct. 28.  
Austria-Hungary has published its  
reply to the American Note of Octo-  
ber 18th.  
It subscribes to all President  
Wilson's conditions, expresses ap-  
proval of the ideas enunciated in  
his last Note on the rights of the  
peoples of Austria-Hungary, espe-  
cially the rights of the Czechs-Slovaks  
and the Jugos-Slavs.  
Furthermore, Austria-Hungary de-  
clares itself ready to enter into dis-  
cussions concerning the conclusion of  
peace between Austria-Hungary and  
the enemy States, and for an im-  
mediate Armistice on all Fronts.  
—French Wireless.

**DEMobilIZATION OF  
AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN  
ARMY.**  
AUSTRIAN WAR MINISTER'S  
APPEAL.  
Amsterdam, Oct. 17.  
A message from Vienna says the  
War Minister, speaking in the Army  
Committee of the Austrian Dele-  
gation, urgently appealed to the Dele-  
gates to assist the Army Administra-  
tion in the demobilization of the  
Austro-Hungarian Army.  
The War Minister opposed the  
recall of the troops from the front as  
the Czechs and South Slav delegates  
had demanded. He declared that  
they were ready to reconstruct the  
Monarchy in a spirit of conciliation  
and true democracy. The political  
wisdom of all nations is about to be  
completely fulfilled. He continued  
that everything at present was quiet  
and that the Austro-Hungarian Army  
was ready.

**ALLIES' ARMISTICE TERMS**  
PUBLICATION AFTER GERMANY'S  
REPLY TO PRESIDENT'S NOTE.  
London, Oct. 27.  
Butler's Agency is informed that  
the Allies will not publish the Armis-  
tice terms until Germany has replied  
to the last Note of President Wilson.

**PRESENT NOT MOMENT TO  
DISCUSS PEACE.**  
GUARANTEES DEMAND FOR  
FRANCE AND EUROPEAN  
ALLIES.  
Paris, Oct. 27.  
Generally speaking, President  
Wilson's Reply is regarded as satis-  
factory, but doubt is expressed as  
the wisdom of discussing peace at  
the present moment.  
French opinion is quite clear on  
one point. If the Allied Govern-  
ments come to the conclusion that  
it is opportune to take counsel with  
the Military Chiefs on the question  
of Armistice, it is necessary to im-  
pose rigorous Naval and Military  
conditions and to demand uncondi-  
tional surrender. The Allied Govern-  
ments know nothing concerning the  
pretended democratisation of Ger-  
many. There are no guarantees for  
France and her European Allies.  
Necessities of a Military order domi-  
nate the problem. Generals and  
Admirals alone are qualified to deter-  
mine the guarantees. The French  
mistrust this fictitious autonomy,  
seeing that Dr. Solf is claiming con-  
trol over Alsace-Lorraine in spite of  
professing to execute President  
Wilson's programme. —Havas.

**IMPORTANT CONFERENCE IN  
FRANCE.**  
London, Oct. 27.  
The Press Bureau announces that  
the Prime Minister, Mr. Balfour  
(Secretary for Foreign Affairs) and  
Naval and Military Officers have  
proceeded to France.

**GERMANY'S LACK OF RAW  
MATERIALS.**  
DAILY RIOTS IN GERMANY.  
London, Oct. 27.  
It is persistently reported that riots  
occur daily in various parts of Ger-  
many, resulting in conflicts with the  
police and loss of life.  
Lack of raw materials, especially  
for explosives, is seriously hamper-  
ing the munition works. It is stated  
that Krynitz has been compelled to  
dismiss many workers.

**HUNGARY'S DEMANDS ON  
AUSTRIA.**  
SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENTS OF  
THE EMPEROR.  
Amsterdam, Oct. 27.  
The *Vossische Zeitung* states that  
Count Karolyi will probably be en-  
trusted with the formation of a new  
Hungarian Reichstag and will  
solemnly proclaim Hungary's in-  
dependence. In this connection it  
is reported that the departure of the  
Emperor Karl for Hungary "for a  
considerable period" is a significant  
event.  
In the Lower House, Count  
Karolyi, before Dr. Winkler's re-  
signation was accepted, outlined his  
demands, which included immediate  
peace negotiations, the residence of  
the King in Budapest, an indepen-  
dent Foreign Ministry and the dis-  
solution of the alliance with Ger-  
many, and declared that if the  
Government did not act he would  
act himself.

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## INTIMATIONS

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Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1918. 388

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By Order of the Board,  
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General Managers,  
Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1918. 861

## MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

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THE ANNUAL BAZAAR under the auspices of the above League, will be held by kind permission in the grounds of Government House, on SATURDAY, November 2nd.  
The proceeds as formerly will be devoted to Local Charities for Children, the "Ottomah" Club, Surrey, and Naval and Military Funds for Orphans.  
Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1918. 818

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

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THE OPENING CRUISE of the Season will be held on SATURDAY, 2nd November, at the Club House, North Point, commencing at 2:30 p.m. Further details will be advertised later.

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Hon. Sec. Sailing Committee.  
Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1918. 870

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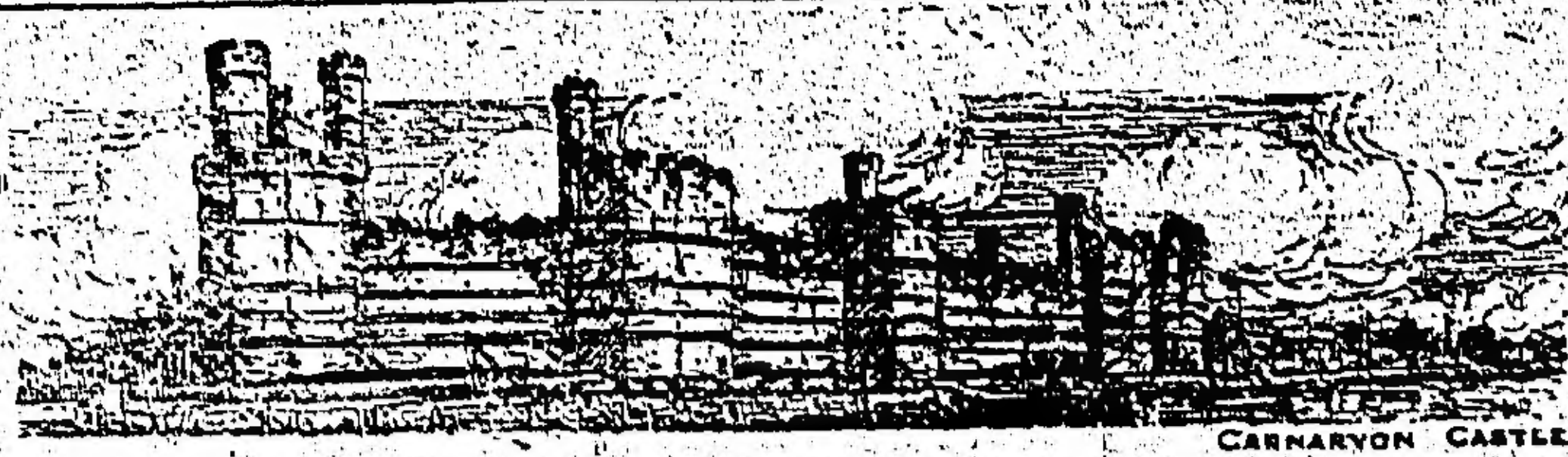
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## THE MANNING OF THE WAR MACHINE.

[By HAROLD BROOME.]

Great Britain had to contribute, and has contributed, to the world's struggle with Central Europe a force of nearly 10,000,000 men, between 18 and 43. This is to say that we have made a contribution to the service of the Alliance, in men alone, which represents nearly a quarter of our total population.

This figure, of which the nation has reason to be proud, represents our entire capital in man-power. It means that we have given all we had to give. It stands as a record of a free nation's complete and exhaustive sacrifice in a struggle not of its seeking and for the attainment of ends in which it has not one single selfish interest. But even this proud figure does not by any means represent the entire effort of Great Britain. It does not include the vast battalions of women in trades and occupations absolutely essential to its success who are serving the common cause, or the considerable body of old and unfit men who, in diverse ways, are maintaining the reputation of this country as a land of unpaid voluntary service; or the men, women and children engaged in numerous trades and occupations which, if not actually essential to victory, nevertheless contribute to the welfare not only of our own military forces but also of the military forces of our many Allies. This proud figure of nearly ten millions stands solely for the masculine war legions of England, Scotland, and Wales. It is the male force which British democracy has mobilized for the manning of its War Machine on its civil and military sides.

## THE WAR WASTAGE.

From all causes, both civil and military, and from fire, last year, we have suffered a wastage in this total capital of man-power which stands at over two millions. This does not mean that our enemies have inflicted upon us two millions of casualties. It means that from all causes whatsoever—death, accident, sickness, etc.—we have lost out of our available ten millions of men during the four years of the struggle a total of over two millions. Of the remainder the Ministry of National Service can give a precise account, with the exception of one per cent., the one per cent. represents the "lost" men.

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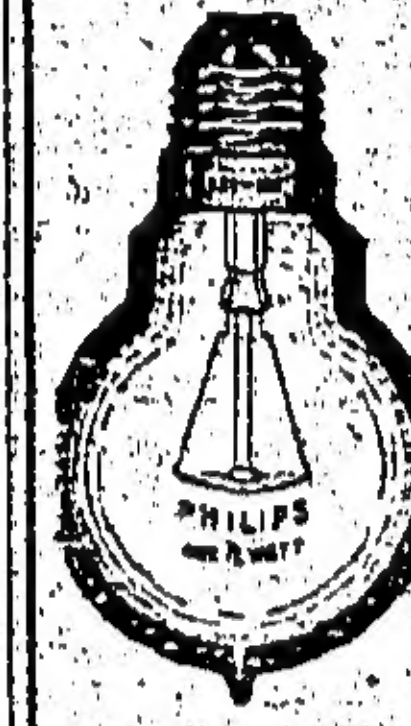
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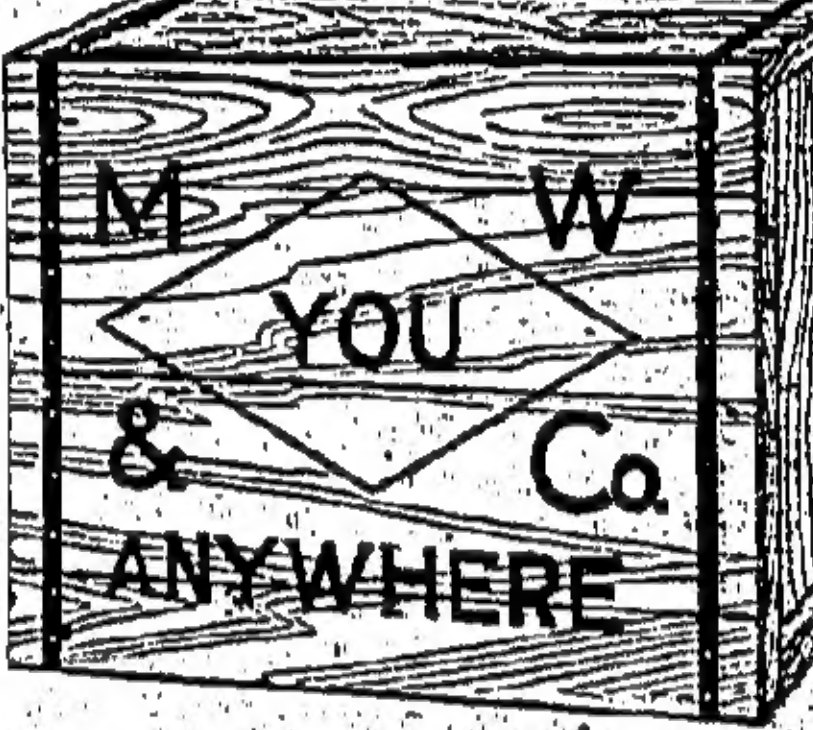


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## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Oct. 29, 1918.

### LARGER SHIPS & HARBOUR ACCOMMODATION.

AT a recent meeting of the Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. LANDALE urged that in view of probable shipping developments after the war, the matter of improving the harbour required the earnest consideration of the Government. Mr. LANDALE referred to a recently published report on the provision of a great harbour in China of sufficient size and depth of water to provide for the increase of trade on the Pacific Ocean, mentioning that the cost of providing such a harbour at Shanghai or Tsingtau is estimated at Tl. 100,000,000—or roughly 220,000,000 A competent authority, he said, had estimated that it would cost about the same amount to improve the harbour of Hongkong to the same extent. Ships having a draft of 40 or 50 feet are regarded as possibilities of a very near future, and these expectations have rivetted attention on the subject of harbour accommodation throughout the world. It is not the first time that the question has been raised in Hongkong, but there seems little likelihood of any big scheme for the improvement of the harbour being considered until the need actually arises, or until some of the schemes for neighbouring ports which have been ventilated begin to materialise. Our thoughts have been directed to this subject by the receipt to-day of a Report issued by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung on "A Project for the improvement of the Approaches to Canton Harbour." Early in 1915 Mr. von HEDENSTAM, Engineer-in-Chief of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, Shanghai, drew up a Memorandum "on the need and possibilities of improvement of the approaches to Canton Harbour," and this Memorandum is now published as an appendix to Captain OLIVERONA's detailed Report and Estimates. Mr. von HEDENSTAM in his Memorandum emphasised that the present tendency in ocean shipping of the draft of ships is a constant and steady increase, and he had no hesitation in saying that "a harbour and trade mart like Canton which can only admit steamers of 13 or, during springs, of at most 16 ft. draft, is doomed to be outclassed in the general keen competition of the present day as a shipping centre, and will inevitably see a large distributing trade which, with better harbour facilities, it would be able to retain and attract, go to other harbours where accommodation better suited to present conditions is offered." He declares that the feasibility of a considerable improvement of the Canton Harbour and its approaches at a cost that can be borne by a continuous moderate tax on trade is beyond doubt, and he adds that the vital importance of such improvement for the future development of Canton as a distributing centre and for its trade is generally obvious. Admiral TAN HSAI HING, Director General

of the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, issues these Reports with a prefatory Note in which he expresses the opinion that the execution of this project to improve the shipping facilities of the Canton Harbour is of such importance to the whole community that it should be entered upon at once. We do not know what the possibilities are of this being done, but when we see other ports in China taking note of the tendency towards bigger ships and making due preparations to receive them it is well that the subject should be kept in view by Hongkong.

### NEWS OF THE DAY.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Over \$28,000 was raised by the Gymkhanas for the Our Day Fund.

There will be a meeting of the General Military Service Tribunal on Friday, the 1st November, at 3.30 p.m. at the Council Chamber.

Another step in the giving to the people of the Philippines a voice in the councils of the Government has been taken by the creation of a "Council of State."

Hartman's Circus which is attracting large crowds every night announces a change of programme for to-night. The new programme will be given at the theatre to-morrow.

It was expected to raise Pesos 18,000,000 in the Fourth Liberty Loan Drive in the Philippines. The actual results had not been fully ascertained when the last mail left, but a total of P24,000,000 was certain and it was considered probable that the total would exceed P25,000,000.

### THE BARTON MYSTERY.

The A.D.C.'s Autumn production "The Barton Mystery," by W. Hackett, of which only two performances are to be given on November 7th and 8th at 9.15 p.m. at the Theatre Royal, is cast as follows:—

Richard Standish..... Captain H. E. Murray.  
Sir Leonard Marshall..... Mr. M. S. Northcott.  
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Dennis O'Hara..... Mr. C. H. P. Hay.  
Beverley..... Mr. W. S. Sinclair.  
Ethel Standish..... Mrs. W. Manning.  
Phyllis Grey..... Mrs. Guy Kennell.  
Lady Marshall..... Mrs. H. M. Webb.  
Helen Earlow..... Miss Doris Grimble.  
Maid..... Miss Grimble.

Booking is now in active progress at Messrs. Montrose Ltd., and the proceeds of both performances will be handed over to "Our Day" Fund. There are still a number of good seats available for both nights.

### THE PHILIPPINE LEGISLATURE.

The third period of sessions of the Fourth Philippine Legislature opened on the 16th at the Marble Hall of the Ayuntamiento. A distinguished gathering of men and women from all walks of life were present to witness the opening scenes, and to hear the Governor-General read his message to that body.

The salient points of the message, which was delivered by Governor-General Harrison in Spanish, were:—

Solution of the food problem and abolition of taxes on imported foodstuffs.  
Control of land and water transportation.  
Prohibition in the Philippines of women's suffrage.  
Juvenile courts.  
Revision of provincial and municipal codes.  
Increased appropriation for education.  
Revision of mining laws.  
Establishment of a Council of State made up partly of members of the Cabinet and the presidents of both Houses of the Legislature.

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## THE SUMMARY COURT.

### ALLEGED DESTRUCTION OF PROMISSORY NOTE.

#### SUIT AGAINST H. E. GOVERNOR'S CHAUFFEUR.

Before His Honour Mr. H. E. J. Gomperts, Puisne Judge, this morning an interesting suit was heard in which a money-lender, named Sunder Singh, sued Jacob, His Excellency's chauffeur, for \$200 for money lent on a promissory note on April 4th last.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner, in opening the case for the plaintiff, said his client had collected interest up till October 4th. The Judge: Is this man a registered money-lender?—Yes, your Lordship.

Continuing, Mr. Gardiner said that when the plaintiff called on October 4th at the defendant's quarters in Government House for the purpose of collecting interest, defendant took the I. O. U. from plaintiff's hands and handing it to his Japanese wife, who destroyed it, forcibly kicked him out with the aid of a friend. Plaintiff went out of the quarters blew his whistle and Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, who was in the Government House, sent a Sergeant to the scene and eventually the men were taken to the Police Station. A summons was afterwards issued and Mr. J. R. Wood, the Magistrate who tried the case, fined defendant \$5 for assault. At the Magistrate's money-lender made a statement that the chauffeur had taken an I. O. U. and destroyed it.

The plaintiff gave corroborative evidence, bearing out Mr. Gardiner's statement. He added that the defendant told him that he could not pay the principal as he had received a half-month's salary owing to His Excellency Sir Harry May being away.

In reply to the Judge, the plaintiff said the defendant wrote out the I. O. U. in plaintiff's quarters at 10, Wanchai, in English. The reason given by the defendant for borrowing was that his house in Singapore had collapsed and he wanted to re-build it.

Sonar Singh, a clerk in the Army Ordnance Office, said he saw the I. O. U. in April. It was signed in English by Jacob and was for \$200 written both in words and figures.

Hashamin Jacob, the defendant, denied all knowledge of the note, and characterized the claim as entirely false. He had never borrowed any money in Hongkong.

His Lordship: Sometimes a man brings a claim to recover money more than he has given and sometimes for less. There is another man who makes a claim when he does not loan money and makes the claim in spite. This is called *swindling*.

The defendant said that three years ago the plaintiff wrote a letter to His Excellency the Governor asking to be made his chauffeur. The Governor told witness that a Bengali wanted to be his chauffeur. Witness enquired of the Governor whether he wanted him or the plaintiff.

His Lordship: As a matter of fact, the plaintiff cannot drive a car—I do not know.

How can a man who cannot drive a car ask to be a chauffeur?—The plaintiff wrote to the Governor asking him to instruct his chauffeur to teach plaintiff to drive a motor-car.

You mean to say that he wrote to the Governor asking the Governor to let his chauffeur teach him to drive a car?—He came to me and asked me to teach him to drive. I told him to write to the Governor.

Do many people write to the Governor making such requests?—A lot of Sikhs write to the Governor to teach them to drive cars.—(Laughter).

His Lordship: This is an extraordinary thing. The Governor has never asked you to give lessons. This is extraordinary. I cannot believe such a story.

The defendant then made an explanation. He said that on the 4th instant the plaintiff came up to his car and jumped on the mudguard, asking him to teach him to drive. Witness then pushed him out of the car. Plaintiff threatened to get him out of his job.

Mr. Gardiner: It was three years ago when he first contemplated getting your job?—Was that the time he wrote to the Governor?—Yes.

He did not know how to drive a car then?—He wished to learn.

For the last three years he has been wishing to learn?—Yes.

Continuing, defendant said that plaintiff had never come to his quarters before the 4th instant.

In reply to a further question, defendant said he signed his name in a piece of paper by the Court, on which he put his usual signature.

The witness who stated that he saw defendant's signature on the alleged I. O. U. was re-called and asked to give as near a representation on paper of the signature that he read on the I. O. U.

His Lordship (to the defendant): I do not believe your story. Tell me some story that I can believe.

Defendant: When the Governor comes back I will ask him to give me the letter that plaintiff wrote.

His Lordship (to Mr. Gardiner): This is a curious case. This man being a Government servant, I would like to see his signature from the Treasury.

## AMERICAN RED CROSS.

### CANTON CHAPTER.

The following are the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Canton Chapter held at the Canton Club Theatre, Shamoon, on Wednesday, October 23rd:—

There were fifty American men and women present.

The minutes of the organization meeting were read and approved.

The annual report which was presented by the Secretary was approved.

The Chairman called the meeting's special attention to the paragraphs in the report referring to the appeal for Doctors and Nurses, also to the need for old clothes. He stated that the matter of Doctors and Nurses had been referred to the Canton Medical Association and that the Women's committee continues the packing and shipping of all articles received.

Mr. Lockwood proposed that the Chapter recommend to the incoming executive committee a campaign for members among foreigners during Christmas week. Carried.

The Chairman announced that the executive committee had referred to this meeting the matter of the Chapter's expression of appreciation which was due to several of those who helped in our 2nd War Fund Drive efforts. Those mentioned were Messrs. Yau Ying Kit and Chow Sum, the Chinese Secretaries; Messrs. Lok Siu Ngo and Chan Lok Sam, Editors of the 12 Guilds Daily Newspaper and Chung Wah Sun respectively; the Owners of the 12 Guilds Newspaper and the Canton Press Association.

Mr. Burkwall proposed that the Secretary be authorized to write officially to the above-named expressing our appreciation and that a letter be also sent to the Red Cross Magazine making special mention of their work. Carried unanimously.

A vote of welcome was accorded to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pontius, of the Canton American Consulate. Mr. Pontius responded with a few remarks.

The Chairman announced that the Executive committee had appointed a sub-committee to nominate the officers and executive committee for the ensuing year and that on behalf of this sub-committee he proposed the following names:—A. W. Pontius, Esq., U. S. Consul-General, Chairman; Rev. R. E. Chambers, vice-chairman; S. E. Brown Esq., Treasurer; W. A. Shera, Esq., Secretary. Other members are as follows:—Chairman of Women's Work Committee, Mrs. A. W. Pontius; Secretary of Women's Work Committee, Mrs. W. A. Shera; Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall, G. W. Groff, Esq., G. E. Leirigo, Esq., Rev. C. A. Funk, C. S. Paget, Esq., H. D. Warner, Esq.

There being no other nominations a vote was taken to authorize the Secretary to cast a ballot for all present, in favour of the persons named. Carried unanimously.

The Secretary proposed a special vote of thanks to Mr. Melnhard for the spirit in which he undertook the position of Chairman, notwithstanding his increased responsibilities at the Consulate General caused by Mr. Haintsman's departure, in May 1918. A standing vote was called for and the response was unanimous.

Mr. Pontius then assumed the Chair. It was suggested that the Publicity Committee take up the matter of getting the Canton Times to give space periodically for notes relative to Red Cross matters.

A letter was read from the former women's committee asking the new executive committee to appoint the following women to serve on that committee for the ensuing year: Mrs. A. W. Pontius, Chairman; Mrs. A. A. Fulton, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. W. A. Shera, Secretary pro tem; Mrs. S. R. Brown, Mrs. F. A. Carl, Mrs. V. P. Greene, Mrs. C. S. Paget, Mrs. J. M. Swan, and Mrs. H. D. Warner.

Mr. Melnhard recalled the objects of the American Red Cross, and pointed out that they were primarily "To Win the War."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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## CANTON LOCAL RED CROSS WORKERS.

The attached list of Hospital supplies has been sent to H. E. General Ventris for the troops in Vladivostok:—

Contents of two cases of Hospital supplies for the Troops in Vladivostok packed October 18th, 1918, and shipped to Mrs. H. L. Lemmert, City Hall, Hongkong, for H. E. The General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General Ventris:—

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The following acknowledgments have been received:—

Nearish Hospital, Cairo, August 8th, 1918.

DEAR MADAM:—The Matron has kindly received your letter of the 24th May requesting me to convey the thanks of the Nursing Staff for your kindness in sending a case of Red Cross supplies. They arrived intact and in good condition.

Your supplies are very much appreciated by us and everything that you have sent has been of the greatest use.

There are now in this Hospital 200 sick Officers and about 700 other ranks and the very varied selection of Red Cross supplies that you have sent nearly met all our needs. The work of your Society in this way continues to free the Nursing Sisters from work of making and sewing these supplies and allows them to devote more of their time to the care of the sick and wounded.

Would you be so good as to cause the thanks of the Hospital to be conveyed to all those members of your Society who so kindly and generously contributed to us.

Yours truly,  
(signed) G. R. RICKETT,  
Major C. U.

To Mrs. G. M. Holt,  
Canton Local Red Cross Workers.

30th Stationary Hospital, Gaza, July 27th, 1918.

DEAR MADAM:—Three cases of lovely gifts arrived quite safely yesterday in good order and we are delighted with the contents.

It is difficult to specialise regarding any of the contents, as they are all most useful and acceptable.

We have moved to Gaza and have been kept very busy ever since.

We got a convey in every 3rd day and one out, so that a great number pass through and only those dangerously ill stay with us any time.

As you can imagine, the ladies arrive with practically no kit, shirts, socks, etc., in bags, so everything is wanted for them.

It is very hot here, everything except the olive trees and vines is burnt up and brown, but the boys say it is nothing to the Jordan Valley. They are so grateful for everything and so delighted to get their first hot between sheets and wash, a shave and clean clothes. It's just wonderful what even a day or two makes to them and to their appearance.

The vermin shirts are in great request, you mentioned them in a previous letter, they are so cool, would you be able to send us those a few hundred if possible.

Any thin shirts, we are very grateful for, even if it is only to land men, while they wash their own, if not too stained and ragged for this, and the pyjamas we put the cot cases into. Roller bandages: 1 lb. 2 2 1/2 ins. and 4 ins. are always in request.

I have enclosed a separate letter of thanks to the ladies of the American Red Cross for their nice case of gifts.

With our best thanks,

Sincerely yours,  
(Signed) D. MILLICENT C. MITCHELL,  
Matron.

### LADY MAY'S ROSE FUND.

#### LIST NO. 17.

Already acknowledged.....\$3,612.18  
"C. A.".....150.00  
Chinese community, per Kwong Wo Hospital.....100.00  
More Salvage.....75.00  
Chinese Community, per Mr. Wong Kam Fuk.....50.00  
Anonymous.....50.00

Total.....\$3,947.18

#### LIST NO. 18.

Already acknowledged.....\$3,047.10  
Mr. N. J. Stabb, O.B.E.....500.00

Total.....\$3,547.10

### HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO. LTD.

The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the year ending 31st Oct. is as follows:—

Receipts.....12,275,000  
Expenses.....12,000,000  
Profit.....275,000

## INFLUENZA IN THE STRAITS AND F.M.S.

The influenza epidemic seems to be very bad in the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States. On several estates the biggest part of the labour force is afflicted. The estate hospital at Caledonia is full. Many firms employing big labour forces are badly hit, an overwhelming proportion of the latter being down with the fever.

Numerous deaths of natives have occurred in Penang. The schools have been closed—a considerable number of teachers and pupils being laid up.

Owing to the prevalence of influenza it was found necessary to postpone the following "Our Day" events in Penang: Oct. 19th, Red Cross Gymkhana and Grand Theatre of Varieties, Oct. 23rd and 25th, Concert Entertainment, Oct. 26th, Flower and Fruit Show, Races, E. and O. Dance, etc.

In Kuala Lumpur the number of deaths from influenza reported from Oct. 7 to Oct. 13 was 133 excluding those dying in hospital or outside the sanitary area.

The Principal Civil Medical Officer at Singapore has announced that during the present epidemic of the so-called Spanish Influenza, no visitors will be allowed at the General Hospital except friends of patients seriously ill, and for whom special permits must be obtained from the Chief Medical Officer.

"TIMELY WARNING."

At a meeting of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements on the 14th instant the Colonial Secretary stated that the following telegram had been received on the previous night from the Governor-General of South Africa: "In view of the terrible experience through which South Africa is passing as a result of violent outbreak of so-called Spanish Fever with highly pneumonic characteristics, the Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa considers it advisable to draw your special attention to the extreme seriousness of the malady with a view to the possibility of timely measures being taken by your Government to prevent its introduction from overseas. The malady is infectious in the highest degree and produces extreme prostration with an appalling death rate among coloured persons and natives while among Europeans after a week's experience there is a now distinctly increased seriousness in the character of attacks. At Kimberley yesterday fifty Europeans died. At Cape Town a still larger number, while coloured persons and natives at these cities are dying daily in hundreds. The Prime Minister is anxious that your country should be spared similar calamity and has accordingly taken this step to give you timely warning."

THE PHILIPPINE LEGISLATURE AND INDEPENDENCE.

The first business of the Philippine Legislature, at its opening session recently, was the passage of a joint resolution authorizing the Governor-General to appoint a committee, on the recommendations of the Speaker and the Senate President, to study and report on three points, namely:—

(1) The manner in which to negotiate with the United States Government, or through it, the concession or recognition of the independence of the Philippines.

(2) Foreign guarantees of stability and permanence of the national independence.

(3) Steps which should be taken for the immediate, adequate and orderly organization of a constitutional and independent democratic government.

The *Cableman American* has the following comment on these resolutions: "The first of these purposes is perfectly legitimate, though there seems to be no bar to negotiation with the United States Government at the present time over any question."

The second purpose of the resolution indicates a lack of appreciation of the goodwill and good faith of the United States Government toward the future of the Philippines, and a most remarkable lack of knowledge of the jurisdiction in the premises. The United States Government is perfectly capable of taking care of the origin guarantee question with regard to Filipino independence and must be trusted to negotiate it to the best interests of the Filipino people.

The third purpose has no parallel. What other steps looking toward independence besides the negotiations mentioned in the first expressed purpose can be imagined? The members of the Philippine Legislature must understand that the United States Government will not tolerate any activities involving its sovereignty in these islands without its full advice and consent. It is entirely possible that the Philippine Legislature may be able to secure the independence of the Philippines.















